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### **1. Indian wrestler Nisha Dahiya won silver medal in Asian Wrestling Championship ( April 14, 2023 )**

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Indian wrestler **Nisha Dahiya won the silver medal** at the **Asian Wrestling Championships** on **April 13, 2023** in **Astana, Kazakhstan**.

#### **An Overview of the News**

- In the women's **68 kg category**, Nisha **lost the final match** to **Japan's Ami Ishii** by a **scoreline of 10-0**.
- **Nisha defeated Feng Zhou of China** by a **score of 7-6** in the **semi-finals**.
- Indian wrestler, **Priya Malik won the bronze medal** in the **76 kg category** of the tournament against **Japan's Mizuki Nagashima** in the **repechage round**.
- The Asian Wrestling Championships is **an annual wrestling competition organised by the Asian Wrestling Federation (AWF)**.
- The championships consist of **men's freestyle, men's Greco-Roman and women's freestyle wrestling events**.
- The **first Asian Wrestling Championship** was held in **1979** in **Tehran, Iran**.

#### **About Kazakhstan:**

- It is a **Central Asian country** that was once a part of the Soviet Union. It became an independent nation in **1991 after the dissolution of the Soviet Union**.
- The country is the **ninth largest country in the world by land area**, stretching from the **Caspian Sea in the west to the Altai Mountains in the east**.
- The capital of Kazakhstan is **Nur-Sultan**, which was **renamed from Astana in 2019**. It is a modern city known for its futuristic architecture.
- **Almaty is the largest city in Kazakhstan** and an important cultural and economic centre. It was the **capital of Kazakhstan until 1997 when the government was moved to Astana**.

### **2. Shakib Al Hasan wins ICC Men's Player of the Month award for the second time ( April 13, 2023 )**

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On 13 April, **Shakib Al Hasan and Henriette Ishimwe** won the **ICC Men's and Women's Player of the Month awards for March 2023**.

#### **An Overview of the News**

- Shakib Al Hasan won the **ICC Men's Player of the Month award** for the **second time and first win in July 2021**.
- He was recognized for his key role in Bangladesh's 3-0 T20I series victory over England.

- **19-year-old Rwandan Henriette Ishimwe** won the **ICC Women's Player of the Month award** for her performances in the Nigerian Women's T20I tournament and the ICC Under-19 World Cup in South Africa.
- Ishimwe played a key role in Rwanda's victory over Zimbabwe, taking four wickets in four balls. She also scored 92 runs and took nine wickets including a hat-trick in the Nigerian Women's T20I tournament.
- **Ishimwe is only the second female player** from an **Associate member to win the ICC Player of the Month award.**

### **About International Cricket Council (ICC)**

- ICC is the **global governing body for the game of cricket.**
- It was **established in 1909 as Imperial Cricket Conference** and later in **1965 it was renamed as International Cricket Conference.** In 1989, its name was **changed to International Cricket Council.**
- The ICC is responsible for organising major international cricket tournaments such as **the Cricket World Cup, World Twenty20, Champions Trophy and Women's World Cup.**
- The ICC also oversees the **ranking of international teams and players, and sets the rules and regulations of the game.**
- The ICC is made up of **12 full members (Australia, Bangladesh, England, India, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Africa, Sri Lanka, West Indies, Afghanistan, Ireland and Zimbabwe)** and **92 associate members.**
- Full members have Test status and can play official Test matches, while Associate members have ODI and T20I status and can play official One Day Internationals and T20 Internationals.
- Establishment - **15 June 1909**
- Headquarters - **Dubai, United Arab Emirates**
- Chairman - **Greg Barclay**
- CEO - **Geoff Allardyce**
- General Manager - **Wasim Khan**
- Assistant - **Asian Cricket Council**

### **3. India's Antim Pangal wins silver medal at Asian Wrestling Championships ( April 13, 2023 )**

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India's wrestler, **Antim Pangal won the silver medal** in the **53 kg category** at the **2023 Asian Wrestling Championships** held in **Astana, Kazakhstan.**

### **An Overview of the News**

- In the final match, **Pangal lost to Akari Fujinami of Japan.**
- Apart from Pangal's silver medal, **four other Indian wrestlers also won bronze medals: Anshu Malik (57 kg), Sonam Malik (62 kg), Manisha (65 kg) and Ritika (72 kg).**
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- The **first Asian Wrestling Championship** was held in **1979 in Tehran, Iran**.
- The championship was **cancelled in 1984 for political reasons**.
- The championship was **cancelled in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic**.
- The championship has been held every year since its inception, except in 1984 and 2020.

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### 4. Indian Grandmaster D Gukesh Wins Title In World Chess Armageddon Asia And Oceania Event ( April 11, 2023 )

Indian Grandmaster **D Gukesh** emerged winner of the **World Chess Armageddon Asia and Oceania tournament** after defeating former **World Rapid Champion Nodirbek Abdusatarov of Uzbekistan** in the final.

### An Overviews of the News

- In the event, Gukesh won over a field that also included former world classical champions **Vladimir Kramnik, Daniil Dubov, Yangyi Yu (China), Vidit Gujrathi and Karthikeyan Murali (both India), Param Maghsudlu (Iran) and Nodirbek Abdusatov**.
- The Armageddon game is a variant of blitz chess, used to determine a winner after a series of drawn games. A drawn game in Armageddon is counted as a win for Black.
- Both Gukesh and Abdusatov have qualified for the Grand Finale of Armageddon, which is scheduled for September.

### About Uzbekistan

- It is a country in Central Asia, bordered by Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Afghanistan and Turkmenistan.
- Uzbekistan was a constituent republic of the Soviet Union until its independence in 1991.
- Samarkand and Bukhara are two of the most prominent cities of Uzbekistan, famous for their stunning architectural creations, vibrant bazaars and rich cultural heritage.
- The people of Uzbekistan are mainly of Uzbek ethnicity, and they speak Uzbek as their colloquial language.
- Uzbekistan is home to several important historical sites, including Registan, a majestic public square in Samarkand, and the Ark Fortress, an ancient citadel in Bukhara.

Capital - **Tashkent**

**5. Orleans Masters 2023: Priyanshu Rajawat wins men's singles title ( April 10, 2023 )**

Orleans Masters 2023: Priyanshu Rajawat wins men's singles title

Indian men's singles badminton player **Priyanshu Rajawat** won the **Orleans Masters 2023 men's singles title** on 9th April, 2023.

**An Overview of the News**

- Rajawat won his first Tour title by defeating **Magnus Johansson** of **Denmark** in the final match of the tournament.
- Orleans Masters 2023 was held in **France** and is considered a **Badminton World Federation (BWF) Super 300 event**.
- It is a significant achievement for Rajawat as it is his first BWF Super 300 title.
- Priyanshu Rajawat was also a part of the Indian badminton team that won the historic 2022 **Thomas Cup in Bangkok**.

**About Badminton World Federation (BWF)**

- It is the international governing body for badminton recognized by the **International Olympic Committee**.
- It was founded in 1934 as the **International Badminton Federation** with nine member countries.
- The BWF sets the rules and standards for badminton, including equipment regulations, player eligibility criteria and tournament formats.
- BWF hosts major international badminton tournaments such as the World Championships and the Olympic Badminton Tournament.
- The BWF promotes ethics and fair play in badminton and punishes players and officials who violate its code of conduct.

Establishment - **5 July 1934**

President - **Paul-Erik Hoyer Larsen**

Headquarters - **Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

Membership - **194 member associations**

**6. Sports Authority of India integrates Khelo India games certificates with DigiLocker ( April 9, 2023 )**

Khelo India Games certificates with DigiLocker

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**An overview of the news**

- **Athletes, support staff, technical officers, mission heads, competition managers**, etc. can access their **Khelo India certificates** through the digital platform.

- Athletes and other stakeholders participating in the Khelo India Games will now be able to **collect their certificates of qualification** and participation from the Khelo India Youth Games 2022 in Madhya Pradesh.
- It aims to '**digitally empower**' citizens.

### **What is Khelo India Games Certificate?**

- It is a **document that is provided to the athletes participating in the Khelo India Games**.
- The certificate recognizes the **athlete's participation in the Games** and serves as proof of their achievement.

### **What is DigiLocker?**

- It is a flagship initiative of the **Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY)**.
- It is a secure cloud-based platform for storage, which enables **easy sharing and verification of documents and certificates**.
- It aims to '**Digitally Empower**' citizens by enabling them to access digital document wallets for authentic digital documents.

### **Sports Authority of India (SAI)**

- It was **established in 1982** as a registered society under the **Societies Act, 1860**.
- It **aims to promote sports and achieve sporting excellence at national and international levels**.
- It has played a significant role in shaping India's sports development by operating several schemes for the identification and development of young talent, as well as providing training to elite athletes.

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## **8. Kalikesh Singh Deo takes charge as NRAI president ( April 7, 2023 )**

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**Senior Vice President Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo** assumed charge as the **President of the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI)** on 6 April. He replaced **Raninder Singh**.

### **An overview of the news**

- Raninder**, who was elected **NRAI president** in September 2021, went on leave after the Sports Ministry issued a directive that the heads of **National Sports Federations (NSFs)** cannot hold office for more than **12 years as per the National Sports Code**.

- Raninder had completed 12 years as the president from **December 29, 2010 till December 29, 2022** and as per the code, he cannot continue as NRAI chief any further.
- In an impromptu virtual meeting, the governing body "**unanimously**" **approved Dev as the president.**

### **About National Rifle Association of India (NRAI)**

- It was **established in 1951** with the **objective of promoting and popularizing shooting sports in India.**
- The **first speaker of Lok Sabha, GV Mavalankar was the founder president of NRAI.**
- It is affiliated to the **International Shooting Sport Federation, Asian Shooting Confederation**, Commonwealth Shooting Federation, South Asian Shooting Confederation and Indian Olympic Association.
- In India it has shown steady progress and has grown significantly **since 1994.**
- Indian shooters have won many medals in international competitions like **Olympic Games, World Championships, Commonwealth and Asian Games/ Championships.**

### **9. Aleksander Ceferin re-elected UEFA president until 2027 ( April 7, 2023 )**

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#### **An Overview of the News**

- It was re-elected during **UEFA's Ordinary Congress held in Lisbon, Portugal**, and Ceferin was elected unopposed, meaning that there were no other candidates for the position.
- He was first time elected as the **seventh president of UEFA in 2016, succeeding Michel Platini.**
- Ceferin's new term will last for **another four years (2027).**
- The **Union of European Football Associations (UEFA)** is responsible for governing association football, futsal and beach soccer in Europe.
- UEFA is one of the six continental governing bodies** in the world of football.
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